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Senator Johnny Isakson U.S. Senate 120 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001 DEC 1 9 2 November 30, 2005 11:14 PM
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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

### Dear Senator Isakson:

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Representative Patrick McHenry U. S.House of Representatives 224 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001 DEC 1 9 2005
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November 30, 2005 11:16 PM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Carl Levin U.S. Senate 269 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Jon Kyl U.S. Senate 730 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Kyl:

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Senator Rick Santorum U.S. Senate 511 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001 DEC 1 9 2005
December 1, 2005 8:27 AM
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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

### Dear Senator Santorum:

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December 1, 2005 6:58 AM

Senator Arlen Specter U.S. Senate 711 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Lamar Alexander U.S. Senate 302 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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December 1, 2005 12:16 AM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Barbara Mikulski U.S. Senate 503 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Barack Obama U.S. Senate 713 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator Mike DeWine U.S. Senate 140 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 12:25 AM

Representative Sandy Levin U.S. House of Representatives 2300 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Senator John Warner U.S. Senate 225 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001 DEC 1 a 2005

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 6:30 AM

Senator Saxby Chambliss U.S. Senate 416 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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